

Announcement

I would be glad to have the address of the president or secretary of every Christian Endeavor society or K. C. of C. E. society in the church. Will you not send it as I have some important work to have you consider.

G. W. RENCH.

Milford, Ind.

Elk Lick, Pa.

Five consecutive services at Salisbury, Pa.; results to date, five accessions by baptism, and three by their relation to sister churches. Total accessions, eight.

J. C. MACKEY, Pastor.

Gleanings from the Wayside

At home again. Sunday last was our salutatory service at Lapaz, Ind., as pastor for the coming year. While we are comparatively strange to them yet we are favorably impressed with the appearance of our congregation. Attendance large, interest good. Brethren pray that good may be accomplished and the church revived. We are in the midst of our ministerial meeting this week. Good attendance of ministers and a very interesting session. The secretary will report later. Nothing special this week only thankful for life, light and liberty. Onward to victory thru Jesus Christ our Lord.

WM. W. SUMMERS.

North Manchester, Ind.

Out West

Carleton. We are holding our own during this warm weather. Our love feast much interfered with because of previous bad weather was successful. The parsonage has been newly papered and painted and a new carpet placed on the dining room floor; the church is to be also re cleaned and renewed with paint within and without. What the church is getting in a physical way the town needs in a spiritual sense. Beer drunks, drunken dances, social evils are around us, and this town is better than the average; the seed sown by sin in past years is now being gathered, and I expect nothing else but that some act will result in murder. Yet if the preachers attempt to reach these things by preaching they are denounced. Personally, this makes no difference to me, my church stands by me; but even its failure would not cause me to cease. These things must be reached, and what is preaching for, if it is not to denounce sin as well as commend purity. The Brethren church of Carleton desires to be on the side of right. So mote it ever be.

Hamlin. We had our Children's day exercises here recently, and they did credit to the trainers. A great crowd gathered in the evening and it is said an hundred and fifty people failed to get in the house. People can come to church when they want, and they usually want when the little people take possession, but as a usual thing our Hamlin congregation is good. Yet in building some of our friends north wondered where we would get our congregation. We extend them an invitation to come and see, they will be welcome. I was not at the children's

services, filling the pulpit elsewhere, but Gen. Bailey who lectured for us on China filled the pulpit for me the next Sunday morning and night. We aim to keep the work going all the time. Some are not far away from us, and if the church keeps in the gospel path and avoids selfishness, jealousy and bigotry, the ingathering will be great; but it takes more than a building and members to do the work, and I think we have the stuff. Prof. Spangler leaves us soon. He has held the fort in Hamlin school for ten years. Another town appreciates his efforts and called him. The town is now beginning to realize that they are losing a good man, but there is no doubt of his success in Robinson. Brother Milt Berkley's family moved into town. After while Hamlin will be surrounded by Brethren. I have always felt there should have been a good church at Sabetha.

The Berlin Record. This paper published the extract on church notices before preaching. I understand other papers have referred to it. It has struck a long felt want. The *Berlin Record* is an up to date paper. I lived in Berlin when Brother Marshall took hold of the paper, or what passed for a new paper, and people said failed, but he did not read books that showed men how to fail and today the *Record* is high up in the scale, printing, illustrating and other up to date factors. Brother Marshall was one of the best listeners I had in the church, and the man who did his part toward inspiring the preacher could not fail to preach to his readers successfully.

The Christian Alliance. The *Independent* for June 22, calls attention to the condition of the Alliance. Their workers are suffering in other lands, their calls for help are disregarded. "Complaints from the field have increased, and some missionaries have come to this city to see if some means cannot be found for straightening things out." So things need to be fixed. Most readers will remember that the writer very clearly helped to keep the Brethren church from falling in to the clutches of this Alliance thru some of our own members and made enemies that exist to this day, but the work was done. There have been misstatements about pledges. One man was not worth cents where he pledged dollars, yet it was counted dollars. "Bonds have been quoted at fictitious values, these values having been accredited to prayer." Mr. Simpson prayed they might have that value, then assumed they had it. So the thing is coming to a sad focus, yet this is the Alliance that one of our members said must train any missionary we would send out. We may congratulate ourselves from the escape we had. The Brethren church can do her own work.

The Devil Kite. This pamphlet is now completed, and the drawings made for illustrating. We have applied for copyright, and will soon talk to the editor concerning its distribution. It will contain 64 pages, probably, and some twenty illustrations, drawn especially for the book. It is unique and in

my judgment will have a larger sale than "The Story of Jesus," which run near two hundred thousand. It shows the reason of worldly churches and the result that follows flirting with the world. Some things in it will not be liked, some will be doubtful and some condemned, but people with good minds and love for Christ will rejoice in its publication.

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

Pennsylvania State Conference held at Pittsburg,
June 7, 8, 1899.

The 12th Annual Church Convention met in session at 2 P. M. being called to order by J. F. Koontz. Congregation sang from No. 577 of Gospel Hymns. Devotional service conducted by J. M. Murray, having for his lesson the 25th chapter of Isaiah. Congregation sang from No. 576 of Gospel Hymns. The chair appointed as a committee on credentials, J. B. Mackey, J. C. Cassell, and Henry Wise.

J. F. Koontz, the retiring moderator then made his address.

A motion prevailed that the report be received and spread on the minutes.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report.

Ministerial Delegates:—John H. Knepper, H. W. Hollabaugh, W. G. Gans, M. C. Meyers, Mary Sterling, P. M. Swinehart, J. B. Wampler, J. F. Koontz, Geo. Patterson, J. W. Smouse, J. M. Murray, Alvin Byers, M. A. Witter, W. F. Murray, W. A. Seibert, D. J. Hetrick, Arthur Hetrick, S. Hildebrand, Jos. Reighord, W. A. Adams, E. E. Haskins, W. A. Crofford, R. Z. Replogle, Benj. Goughnour, J. L. Bowman, J. C. Mackey, I. D. Bowman, F. C. Barnum, A. F. Atwood, J. C. Cassell, E. E. Roberts, W. L. Spanogle, W. A. Harmon, E. H. Smith, R. E. Darling, D. J. Bole, Henry Wise, Gilbert Neilson, Samuel Buzzard, James A. Murray.

Lay Delegates:—Mrs. J. E. Parsons, Etta Cochran, B. F. Bole, J. E. Parsons, Albert Trent, Levi Ripple, Mrs. R. Z. Replogle, N. J. Miller, W. M. Miller, Jennie H. Mackey, Stella Shearer, S. H. Wilcox, Rose Darling, R. Delozier, Lizzie Hoops, J. C. Kennedy, Mary Wout, Mrs. B. F. Bole, Annie Fike, Cora Berkley, Jacob Furry, Pat O'Neil.

On motion the report was received.

Chair appointed J. W. Samouse, Alvin Byers and P. M. Swinehart as tellers. On first ballot there being no election I. D. Bowman made a motion seconded by E. H. Smith that the two receiving the highest number of votes be retained and be placed before the convention for a choice. The tellers announced the names of Daniel Crofford and E. E. Haskins. At the suggestion of Bro. Haskins, Bro. Mackey made another motion seconded by J. W. Samouse that the rule be suspended and Daniel Crofford be elected Moderator by acclamation. Carried. The same procedure electing E. E. Haskins Vice Moderator, J. E. Parsons, Secretary and Dr. Kennedy, Treasurer was passed by Convention. Roger Darling on behalf of the Pittsburg Brethren Church presented the Moderator and Vice Moderator with badges designating their offices. E. E. Haskins made a short response of acceptance. Singing by Congregation. Choir appointed the following committees: On Queries—J. H. Knepper, Alvin Byers, Marcus Witter. Parochial Reports and Tabulated Statement—J. W. Smouse, R. Z. Replogle, P. M. Swinehart. On Resolutions—J. C. Mackey, J. B. Wampler, W. Spanogle, Henry Wise, and J. F. Koontz.

The address "What should the Brethren Church do to enlarge her borders" was ably discussed by Henry Wise and J. C. Cassell, followed in general discussion by I. D. Bowman, E. H. Smith, J. B. Wampler and Zed H. Copp of Dayton, Ohio.

Motion to adjourn prevailed. After singing Doxology, benediction was pronounced by Rev. J. C. Mackay.